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HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ____

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A HOUSE RESOLUTION honoring Paul Patterson,
Taylor University men's basketball coach.

Whereas, Paul Patterson, Taylor University men's basketball coach, made Indiana basketball history on Saturday, December 3, 2011, by defeating Bethel College and recording his 700th victory;

Whereas, With this victory, Paul Patterson became the only coach in history to record 700 wins while coaching at a four-year Indiana college;

Whereas, On January 10, 2012, Paul Patterson reached another milestone in basketball history by winning his 707th career game to become the winningest coach in Indiana college

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basketball history at any level (two-year or four-year schools);

Whereas, During his 33 seasons as head coach of the Taylor University men's basketball program, Coach Patterson has led the Trojans to 15 conference championships and has made 14 NAIA National Championship appearances, including a trip to the Final Four in 1991;

Whereas, Paul Patterson, who ranks second in wins among active NAIA Division II coaches, has recorded 26 winning seasons and has received 12 Coach of the Year awards, including NAIA Coach of the Year in 1991;

Whereas, Stressing academics and character building to his players, Coach Patterson has seen every four-year player earn his college degree;

Whereas, A teacher both on and off the court, Coach Patterson has inspired former players to become coaches at the college or high school level as well as authors, doctors, counselors, ministers, administrators, business professionals, CEOs, and financial planners, many of whom have climbed to the top of their professions; and

Whereas, Paul Patterson has dedicated his life to teaching the game of basketball to young men and instilling in them a desire to learn to succeed and to develop into outstanding Christian men, husbands, and fathers: Therefore,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the
General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

- 1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives
- 2 congratulates Paul Patterson on the occasion of his 700th basketball
- 3 victory and wishes him continued success in all his future endeavors.
- 4 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
- 5 Representatives transmit copies of this resolution to Paul Patterson,
- 6 athletic director Dr. Angie Fincannon, and Taylor University president
- 7 Dr. Eugene Habecker.

